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Christopher P. Carney  
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Carney for Congress  
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RE: MUR 6708 (formerly RR 12L-20)

Dear Mr. Carney:

On July 5, 2013, the Federal Election Commission accepted the signed conciliation agreement submitted to resolve violations of the reporting requirements of the Federal Election Campaign Act by Carney for Congress and Christopher P. Carney in his official capacity as treasurer. I have enclosed a copy of the fully executed conciliation agreement for your files. Please note that, as specified in the agreement, the \$1,500 civil penalty and other remedial measures required under the agreement are due within 30 days of the agreement's effective date.

The file in this matter is now closed. Therefore, documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003); Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66,132 (Dec. 14, 2009). The Commission will not make public information derived in connection with any conciliation attempt, however, without the written consent of the respondent and the Commission. 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B).

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1597.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LEONARD O. EVANS III".

Leonard O. Evans III  
Attorney, Enforcement Division

Enclosure

cc: Christopher P. Carney  
P.O. Box 38  
Dimock, PA 18816

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**BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of:

Carney for Congress and  
Christopher P. Carney in his official  
capacity as treasurer

MUR No. 6708  
(formerly RR 12L-20)

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**CONCILIATION AGREEMENT**

In the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") ascertained information that resulted in the initiation of this matter. *See* 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2). Based on that information, the Commission found reason to believe that Carney for Congress and Christopher P. Carney in his official capacity as treasurer (the "Committee" or "Respondent") violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b).

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission and the Respondent, having participated in informal methods of conciliation, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe a violation has been committed, do hereby agree (the "Agreement") as follows:

I. The Commission has jurisdiction over the Respondent and the subject matter of this proceeding, and this Agreement has the effect of an agreement entered under 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(A)(i).

II. Respondent has had a reasonable opportunity to demonstrate that the Commission should take no action in this matter.

III. Respondent, through its undersigned representative, who represents that he has the authority to enter into this Agreement on its behalf, voluntarily enters into this Agreement with the Commission.

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IV. The pertinent facts in this matter are as follows:

1. Carney for Congress is the designated principal campaign committee of Christopher P. Carney, who was a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives from Pennsylvania's 10th Congressional District during the 2010 election cycle.

2. Christopher P. Carney is the Committee's current treasurer of record. Larry Golden was the Committee's treasurer when the reports and amendments at issue in this matter were filed. Thereafter, Golden resigned as treasurer, and Carney replaced him.

3. The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"), requires committee treasurers to file reports of receipts and disbursements according to the requirements of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(2). *See* 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(a)(2); 11 C.F.R. §§ 104.1(a). These reports must contain, *inter alia*, the total amount of receipts and disbursements. *See* 2 U.S.C. § 434(b); 11 C.F.R. § 104.3.

4. The Act also requires committees to disclose itemized breakdowns of receipts and disbursements, including the disclosure of the name and address of each person who has made any contributions or received any disbursements in an aggregate amount or value greater than \$200 within the calendar year, together with the date and amount of any such contribution or disbursement. *See* 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)-(6); 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a)(3)-(4), (b)(2), (b)(4).

5. On January 4, 2011, the Committee amended two reports to the Commission to disclose disbursements totaling \$255,542.12. Those amendments are summarized in the following chart:

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Report	Date of Amendment	Increased Disbursements
2010 12 Day Pre-General	December 20, 2010	\$125,489.76
2010 30 Day Post-General	January 4, 2011	\$130,052.36
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$255,542.12</b>

V. Respondent violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b) by failing to disclose disbursements totaling \$255,542.12 in its reports filed with the Commission.

VI. Respondent acknowledges its violation of the Act, as set forth in this Agreement, and Respondent will do the following to fully remedy, resolve, and settle this matter:

1. Respondent will pay to the Commission a civil money penalty in the amount of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500), under 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(5). Ordinarily, the Commission would seek a substantially higher civil penalty based on the violations and related circumstances described in this Agreement. In this matter, however, Respondent has represented to the Commission that it has almost no assets and a limited ability to pay a substantially higher civil penalty. Respondent also has submitted financial and other documents in support of its representations. Respondent acknowledges that the Commission's acceptance of this Agreement is expressly conditioned on the truthfulness, accuracy, and completeness of the representations and documentation submitted by Respondent. Therefore, relying on the truthfulness and accuracy of the Respondent's representations and documentation, the Commission will accept the reduced civil penalty specified in this Agreement;

2. Respondent will cease and desist from committing any other violations of 2 U.S.C. § 434(b) and will not violate the Act in the future; and

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3. Respondent will file all due and past-due disclosure reports in accordance with instructions from the Commission's Reports Analysis Division to reflect accurately Respondent's financial activity and cash-on-hand.

VII. At the request of anyone filing a complaint under 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(1) concerning the matters at issue in this case, or on its own motion, the Commission may review compliance with this Agreement. If the Commission finds that this Agreement, or any requirement set forth in this Agreement, has been violated, it may institute a civil action for relief in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

VIII. This Agreement is effective as of the date that all parties have executed it and the Commission has given its final approval.

IX. Within no more than thirty (30) days from the effective date of this Agreement, Respondent will fully implement and comply with the requirements of this Agreement and notify the Commission that they have done so.

X. This Conciliation Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties concerning this matter. No other statement, promise, or agreement, whether oral or written, made by either party or by agents of either party will be enforceable.

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**FOR THE COMMISSION:**

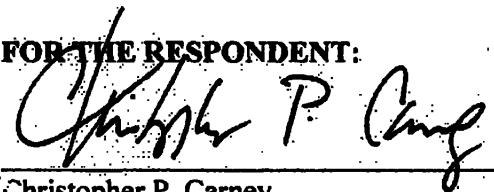
Anthony Herman  
General Counsel

Dated: 7/9/13

BY: 

Daniel A. Petalas  
Associate General Counsel for Enforcement

**FOR THE RESPONDENT:**

  
Christopher P. Carney  
Treasurer, Carney for Congress

Dated: 6/14/13

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